

Masonic Temple

Weekly Calendar

SUNDAY—
Honolulu Lodge No. 409.
Stated: 7:20 p. m.

TUESDAY—

WEDNESDAY—

THURSDAY—
Honolulu Commandery No. 1.
Stated: 5 p. m.

FRIDAY—

SATURDAY—
Harmony Chapter No. 4, O.
E. S. Stated: 7:30 p. m.

SCHOFIELD LODGE—

SATURDAY—
Stated meeting: 7:30 p. m.

Odd Fellows Hall

WEEKLY CALENDAR

MONDAY—
Harmony Lodge No. 3: 7:30
p. m. Regular meeting.

TUESDAY—
Excelsior Lodge No. 1: 7:30
p. m. Regular meeting.

WEDNESDAY—

THURSDAY—
Olive Branch Rebekah Lodge
No. 2: 7:45 p. m. Regular
meeting.

FRIDAY—
Polytechnic Encampment No. 1.
7:30 p. m. Work in Golden
Rule Degree.

HONOLULU LODGE NO. 1,
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CHARLES HUSTACE, JR., Leader.
FRANK MURRAY, Secretary.

HONOLULU LODGE 516, P. O. E.
meets in their hall
on King St. near
Fort, every Friday
evening. Visiting
brothers are cor-
dially invited to at-
tend.

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DEADLY BRITISH GAS-ATTACK TOLD
OF BY SOLDIERS FROM WEST FRONT

"Doctored Germans With Their Own Medicine," He Calls It
—Weird Cruelty of the Fume-Battle Described—Suffering
of Victims Horrible

LONDON, Eng., Aug. 9.—Before the
"big squeeze" began discussion of
British gas attack was strictly prohib-
ited but now the taboo has been lifted,
and a British "gasman" has been
allowed to write a graphic account of
the work of his own special corps
whose business it is, he says, "to doc-
tor the Germans with their own medi-
cine."

"Behind our lines," he writes, "the
sun set in a blaze of glory. A glance
over the parapet shows the green and
startled of the popped No-Man's land
already merging into the gray mists
of twilight; but 150 yards away, like
a brown earth shadow among the
grays, hangs the rusty barbed wire
of the enemy and just beyond a white,
chalky upthrow marks his front line
trench. The gasmen stare across the
silent shadows at that white line and
for a moment they think of the choky,
gurgling cough of the men who die
by gas. It is not pleasant to die by
gas."

"Connect Up!" The order comes
down the line from one bay of the
trench to another, and the gasmen
immediately get busy. The front rows
of neatly piled sandbags of which each
fire-step is apparently solidly built are
pulled out and disclose a cavity in
which show, black and ominous, the
cowed heads of a row of iron cylind-
ers. They are sunk in pits well
"bagged up" to protect them from pos-
sible crack or puncture by flying frag-
ment or ricocheting bullet. Each
cylinder weighs about 130 pounds and
contains sufficient compressed gas, if
it could be used without waste, to put
an entire company out of action.

"On top of the cylinders lies a tan-
gle of flexible connecting pipes, three
and four way joints, spigots, and
screw-jet, and upon these, with span-
ner and key, the gasmen start work.
The cylinders are all connected up in
series, and nothing remains but to throw
the jets over the top of the parapet
and open the valves in order to re-
lease the deadly fumes."

"But something is required to carry
the gas over to the German lines—a
favoring breeze—and never did sailor
scan the sky more intently than the
gasmen watch their little, inconspic-
uous wind gauges, fixed to the edge
of a trench. They must have a wind
of a certain direction, and they prefer
it of a certain strength. On this occa-
sion the direction is satisfactory
enough, but the breeze shows signs
of weakness, and occasionally falls to
a mere, almost imperceptible zephyr.
Danger of Leakage.

"When not watching the wind, the
gasmen are watching their pipes; re-
peatedly feeling and testing every
inch of tube and joint; for none know
better than they the danger of leak-
age and by the back of gas into their
own trenches. Persistently an officer
passes down the line, casting rapid
glances at each set of cylinders and their
connecting pipes. And in every bay he
pauses and whispers two words to the
corporal in charge. "Eleven o'clock."
But the wind, without which the gas
will not reach the enemy's trench and
so its deadly work among its occu-
pants, begins to peter out.

"At ten-fifty the gasmen don their
special respirators, which in the dim
light give the wearers a strange, al-
most inhuman appearance. Masked
and gagged, with weird, trunk-like
pieces of hose running from the mouth-
piece to the box of air-purifying chemi-
cals strapped to their chests, they
look like some of the unearthly beings
who people the books of Mr. H. G.
Wells.

"But not a breath disturbs the still
air. The feeble breeze has died com-
pletely. Hurriedly the order runs
down the line: "Cancel, and stand by."
Behind their masks the gasmen grunt
disgustfully. But suddenly—crack!
crack!! ret-a-tat-tat!! The orders to the
infantry have not been countermanded,
and the quiet of the night is roughly shat-
tered by a long line of viciously crackling
rifles and Lewis guns to which the Germans re-
ply.

No Security in Trenches.

"The gasmen move about uneasily,
it is not for themselves they fear, but
for those pipes and cylinder heads
lying bare and exposed to the hail of
flying fragments. Well, they know
the danger of bursts and of trenches
filled with gas and no wind to move
it. But they cannot "bag up" without
orders, and so they detail one of their
number in each bay to watch the cylind-
ers while the rest gather behind the
traverse, as being a slightly safer
spot.

"When day breaks a fair wind is
blowing, straight towards the German

trenches. But, of course, it is now
broad daylight, and the gas will be
visible as soon as it leaves the pipes.
The gasmen know what to expect.
They know that as soon as the green-
ish-gray clouds appear outside their
parapet there will be running messen-
gers and hurried telephoning in the
German lines. They know that with-
in a few minutes the word will have
reached the German big guns at the
back, and that every piece capable of
firing out a parapet and burying
them, mangled and broken, among
their own cylinders will be concentra-
ted upon the front line trench in which
they stand."

"Time! Over the top the jet-pipes
are swung, and then, simultaneously
along almost two miles of trench,
there arises a slight hiss, as of some
monstrous, and venomous snake sud-
denly aroused from slumber. Now the
gasmen are working frantically with
wheel and spanner and key, and the
hiss increases in shrillness and vol-
ume. Outside the parapet the green
poison fog is already spreading like
a foul blanket over No-Man's land.
Carried ceaselessly forward its outer
edge is rapidly approaching the Ger-
man trenches, into which it will pres-
ently sink, spreading agony and death
among those who cannot escape."

No rifle or machine gun fire has
been ordered, this time, and from either
line scarcely a sound is heard ex-
cept the deadly hiss of the escaping
fumes. The minutes pass in tense,
ominous quiet. Nature herself seems
to pause aghast to watch this latest
depravity practised by her children upon
one another.

"Behind their masks the gasmen be-
gin to breathe more freely, and then
suddenly, on the left, "Crash! And
"crash" again, and yet again. This
time on the right, somewhere close at
hand. The gasmen crouch lower over
their cylinders, the explosions follow
one another almost too rapidly to
count, and in any case their minds are
no longer fitted to count or care.
Only the valves must be turned, and
the pipes must be watched, and the
sudden spurt of vapor which marks a
leak must be checked by the appli-
cation of a handful of mud, which the
gas itself immediately freezes into an
iron-hard and impenetrable band."

"In one of the bays the parapet
rocks suddenly and falls forward, bur-
ying the men and their cylinders. Al-
most immediately the men scramble
out unhurt; but the pipes are broken,
and the gas is filling the trench. With
spanner and mud the thing is stopped,
new connections are rigged up, and
the death vapor is again directed out-
side what is left of the trench. But
one of the men has had the mouth-
piece of his respirator broken, and
already he is coughing and choking
painfully. "I've got it!" he gasps
hoarsely, and goes behind the trans-
verse to suck an ammonia ampule and
die slowly."

"Closing up time! Rapidly the
valves are shut down, the jet pipes
withdrawn and plugged and stacked
away. "Stand by!" the men work at
bagging up their cylinders again. Im-
perturbably a sergeant stalks down the
ruined and battered trench, shepherd-
ing his flock towards their dugout.
He is an old-timer—a transfer from
the infantry—and scarcely quivers as
a shell bursts behind a traverse he
has just left. Quietly he directs two
of the men to carry an unconscious
case to the nearest point of the com-
munication trench where stretcher-
bearers may be found.

"In the dug-out with the shells still
pounding overhead, the section's roll
is called. Most of the men answer by
their names. "Some are answered by
comrades as wounded and for others
no one answers but the sergeant.
"But over in the German trenches
hundreds of men are choking and
gasping in agony for an hour before
they can die. They have been made
to quar their own medicine."

STOMACH TROUBLES
DUE TO ACIDITY

SO SAYS EMINENT SPECIALIST

So-called stomach troubles, such as
indigestion, wind, stomach-ache and
inability to retain food are in prob-
ably nine cases out of ten sim-
ply evidence that fermentation is
taking place in the food contents of
the stomach, causing the formation
of gas and acids. Wind distends the
stomach, and causes that full, oppres-
sive feeling sometimes known as
heartburn, while the acid irritates and
inflames the delicate lining of the
stomach. The trouble lies entirely in
the fermenting food. Such fermenta-
tion is unnatural, and acid forma-
tion is not only unnatural, but may in-
volve most serious consequences if
not corrected. To stop or prevent fer-
mentation of the food contents of the
stomach and to neutralize the acid,
and render it bland and harmless, a
teaspoonful of bisulphated magnesia,
probably the best and most effective
corrector of acid stomach known
should be taken in a quarter of a
glass of hot or cold water immedi-
ately after eating, or whenever wind or
acidity is felt. This stops the fer-
mentation, and neutralizes the acidity
in a few moments. Fermentation,
wind and acidity are dangerous and
unnecessary. Stop or prevent them
by the use of a proper antacid, such
as bisulphated magnesia, which can be
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STRENGTH

SCHOOL STRIKES
IN JAPAN CAUSE
MUCH CONCERN

TOKIO, Japan.—Strikes of pupils
against their teachers constitute a
feature of modern Japan which is giv-
ing the educational authorities con-
siderable concern. Previously peace-
ful revolts of students were confined
to the medical schools, but lately they
have extended to the high schools of
the United States. The strikes are
usually due to the pupils' objection
to the transfer of a favorite teacher
or to their dislike of a new teacher.
Ordinarily the incident is closed up
by the temporary suspension of the
students. This makes them surrender
as they fear dismissal, which would
ruin their careers in business or pro-
fessional life.

A recent strike occurred in Takao-
ka, northern Japan, where all the
fourth and fifth year students num-
bering more than 200 went on a strike
because they were not satisfied with
the head master.

Another recent incident in the pub-
lic schools was the dismissal of a mid-
dle-school teacher owing to his al-
leged dissemination of dangerous
thought among the pupils. It is al-
leged that the teacher, an instructor in
commercial school, in the course of
a lecture expressed admiration for a
historical personage, Taira-no-Masaka-
do, who made an attempt to overthrow
the imperial throne. When the dis-
missal was announced the principal
of the school sent in his resignation
on the ground that he was jointly re-
sponsible for what had been done by
his subordinate.

SAFE ON A COWCATCHER

MILLVILLE, N. J.—While Charles
Norberry was riding a motorcycle he
was struck by a West Jersey and
Seashore Railroad train at the East
Main street crossing and received
only slight bruises.

The motorcycle, with Norberry still
on the seat, was fastened to the cow-
catcher until the train was stopped
500 feet from where the accident oc-
curred.

200 AUTOS PARADE TO
TOP OF PIKE'S PEAK

DENVER, Colo.—Under perhaps the
most dramatic circumstances ever at-
tending the opening of a new highway,
200 automobiles, 150 of which were
Studebakers, participated in a parade
from Colorado Springs to Pike's
Peak Highway for the first time.

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